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The following are production figures for 1953 and plans for the 1954 production in Rumania:

- a. Cotton: The area planted in 1953 was 100,000 hectares. The area planned for planting in 1954 is 300,000 hectares which is expected to produce a crop of 40,000 tons.
- b. Sugar beets: The production of sugar beets for 1954 is planned to be doubled that of 1953. Production figures for 1953 is not known.
- c. Sunflower seed: The production of sunflower seed in 1954 is planned to be 400,000 tons.
- d. Petroleum: The total export of petroleum products in 1953 will be about 9 million tons. This figure includes approximately $2\frac{1}{2}$ million tons of gasoline (68 74 octane), and 400,000 tons of lubricating oils.
- e. Alcohol: Exports to the Soviet Union in 1953 totaled 400 carloads; each car held 10 metric tons.
- f. Grape harvest: The 1953 grape harvest was very poor mainly because of the lack of copper sulphate spray for the vines. During the Fourth World Youth Festival in August the Rumanians were forced to import grapes from Bulgaria.
- g. Imports from the Soviet Union: The value of planned imports by Rumania from the Soviet Union in 1954 is 220 million rubles. This compares with a figure of 300 million rubles for 1953.

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